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SUBJECT: JCIC-XXXIII: (U) RUSSIAN PAPER CONTAINING  
ADDITIONAL QUESTION ON TRIDENT II FLIGHT TESTS CONDUCTED  
NOVEMBER 4, 2004 AND MAY 9, 2006

Classified By: Jerry A. Taylor, United States Representative  
to the Joint Compliance and Inspection Commission.  
Reasons: 1.5(b) and (d).

11. (U) This is JCIC-XXXIII-022.

12. (S) The text at Paragraph 3 below is the official  
translation of a Russian paper containing an additional  
question on the Trident II flight tests that were conducted  
on November 4, 2004, and May 9, 2006. The paper was provided  
in Moscow and emailed to Washington.

13. (S) Begin text:

Official Translation

Telemetric Information for the Trident II SLBM  
Flight Tests on November 4, 2004, and May 9, 2006

The Russian side has reviewed the U.S. answers  
contained in the paper of December 3, 2007.

In that paper the U.S. side notes that no encoding  
methods were used during those telemetry recordings (sic) for  
the launches in question. In addition, QAM-16 Modified is a  
modulation method, not a digital encoding method ("The U.S.  
side notes that QAM-16 Modified was incorrectly identified  
and is (a) modulation method, not a digital encoding method.  
No encoding method(s) were used during those portions of the  
recorded telemetry").

Does this mean that the QAM-16 Modified modulation  
method applies only to the broadcast of information and that  
this method is not present in the information on the tapes  
provided? Please clarify.

Moscow  
November 12, 2008

End text.

14. (U) Taylor sends.  
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